up a six members task force under the Chairmanship of the Director-general of Foreign Trade (DGFT) to identify the lacunae in the implementation of liberalised economic policies which are perceived to be affecting the flow of foreign direct investment;

(b) if so, what is the composition, objects, terms of reference and functions of the Task Force;

(c) whether the committee has submitted its report, if so, what are the details of its recommendations; and

(d) what action Government have taken on each of its recommendations ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES. CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Members of the Task Force were drawn from different Ministries/Departments and basic objective of the Task Force was to study and make recommendations for promoting the flow of foreign investment in India. The Task Force has since submitted its report in which various measures for promoting flow of foreign investment in India have been suggested. The Task Force has also suggested certain procedural bottlenecks to be removed.

The report has been submitted very recently and will be examined at an early date.

539. *flhans/erred to 6th August, 1993]*

Proposal to Set up Joint Ventures with Germany

540. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKAR DAVE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to set up some Joint Ventures with Germany;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when these projects are likely to be implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Government facilitates the setting up of joint ventures by overseas investors, including those from Germany.

(b) Details of approved German investment in India are as and under:

Year	Total	Financial	Amount (Rs. in Million)
1991	157	35	418.0
1992	201	83	862.7
1993 (Upto June 93)	89	38	986.8

(c) After getting Government's approval for foreign investment an entrepreneur has to take several effective steps for implementing the project. Besides, the gestation period for an industrial project also varies from industry to industry and project to project. The above approvals have been issued only after the announcement of the new Industrial Policy in July, 1991 and therefore, it is too early to expect substantial implementation/inflow of foreign investment materialising from these approvals.

Anti-Dumping Action by EEC and US

541. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether EEC and the US have been increasingly resorting to anti-dumping action against the country contrary to the spirit of GATTs Anti-Dumping Code of 1979:

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating its overall impact on the Indian exports; and

(c) the action plan, if any formulated by Government in pursuance of the Chelliah Committee recommendation to protect the domestic producers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c) Anti-dumping actions are directed at the pricing policies of the individual companies.

US has imposed anti-dumping duty on